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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on September 29, 2006, having

a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on December 29, 2006, please amend

the above-captioned application as follows.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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